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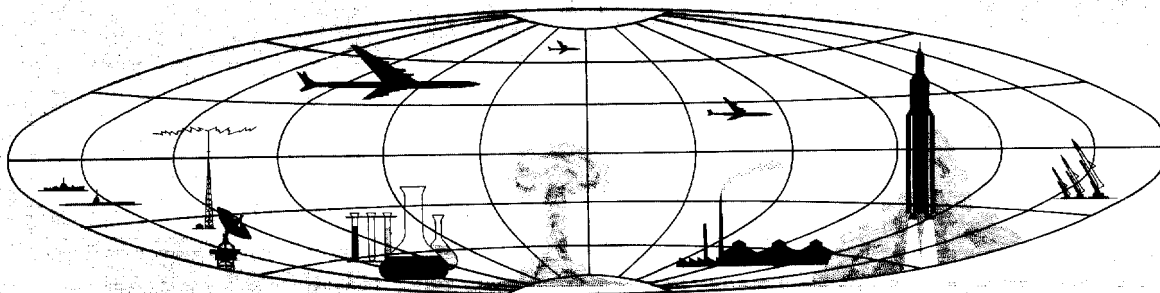
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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3461, DATED 2 MARCH 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2 2239N 07951W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

REMEDIOS IRBM SITE 2225N 07935W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

TAPASTE AREA, STORAGE SITES 2303N 08207W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

BARTOLOME, SUSPECT SSM ACTIVITY 2226N 07934W

NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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SALAMANCA, SUSPECT SSM ACTIVITY 2227N 07940W

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MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVETTED LAUNCHERS AND 7
CANVAS-COVERED TRANSPORTERS. GUIDANCE AREA IS
REVETTED.

25X1D

CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS, 6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE
TRANSPORTERS, AND GUIDANCE RADAR. POOR IMAGE QUALITY
PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

LOS ANGELES SAM SITE 2100N 07541W

SITE INCLUDES 6 UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS (3 WITH
CANVAS-COVERED MISSILES), 7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE
TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD POSITION, AND UNREVIEWED
OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08213W

APPROXIMATELY 25 VEHICLES VISIBLE.

25X1D

HOLGUIN SAM SITE 2052N 07627W

SIX REVETTED CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, 7
CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND OCCUPIED
GUIDANCE AREA.

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25X1A

MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N 08215W

[REDACTED]

FIVE LAUNCHER FOUNDATIONS AND GUIDANCE RADAR
FOUNDATION APPEAR COMPLETE. NO MISSILE OR ELECTRONIC
EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

25X1A

BANES CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2058N 07538W

TWO LAUNCH POSITIONS OBSERVED. HAZE PRECLUDES
FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

CAMPO FLORIDA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2300N 08250W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

-AIRFIELDS-

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

AIRCRAFT -- 36 FISHBED, 12 FAGOT/FRESCO, AND ONE
LIAISON-TYPE AIRCRAFT.

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25X1A

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 FAGOT/FRESCO OBSERVED.

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PRESTON AIRFIELD 2044N 07539W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.

25X1D

SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANDOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

AIRCRAFT -- 8 FAGOT/FRESCO, 2 FARMER, 2 CRATE, ONE CAB, 2 PROBABLE COLT, AND ONE B-26.

25X1D

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

AIRCRAFT -- THREE CONSTELLATION, ONE CLEAT, 2 BRITANNIA, 5 CAB, 3 C-54, 3 CRATE (ONE WITH WINGS REMOVED), ONE B-26, AND 5 LIAISON-TYPE OBSERVED.

25X1D

CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

AIRCRAFT -- FOUR PROBABLE COLT, ONE PBV, AND 37 LIAISON-TYPE OBSERVED.

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MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.

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PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- APPROXIMATELY 50 HELICOPTERS AND ONE
CRATE. POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES FURTHER
INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.

25X1D

-PORTS-

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

VESSELS -- 12 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG, 2 PF, AND ONE PATROL
CRAFT.

25X1D

CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

25X1A

VESSELS -- 27 LARGE FREIGHTERS, 10 COASTAL FREIGHTERS,
ONE LARGE TANKER, 3 P-6-CLASS PT BOATS, 2 PF, AND 6
PROBABLE PC. THE [REDACTED] IS DOCKED ON SW SIDE OF
UNITED FRUIT COMPANY PIER. THE CANNAREGIO COULD NOT
BE IDENTIFIED. SCATTERED CLOUDS AND POOR IMAGE
QUALITY PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

25X1D

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

BAHIA HONDA PORT 2255N 08311W

25X1D

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.
THE [REDACTED] IS NO LONGER IN PORT AREA.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

-ELECTRONICS-

HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER 2300N 08226W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

[REDACTED]

CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08252W

NO VEHICLES OBSERVED. NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

POOR IMAGE QUALITY AND HAZE PRECLUDE DETAILED
INTERPRETATION. THERE IS NO APPARENT CHANGE IN COUNT
OR DEPLOYMENT OF VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT. THE
6-GUN AND 9-GUN AAA SITES REMAIN OCCUPIED.

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EL JUCARO, MILITARY AREA 2051N 07543W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. NO VEHICLES
OBSERVED.

25X1D

REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N 07934W

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE OBSERVED -- 17 LARGE, 22
MEDIUM, AND 16 SMALL TENTS, 39 TANKS/SP GUNS, 5
PROBABLE FROG MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (4 OF WHICH ARE
UNDER TREES IN THE DOUBLE-FENCED STORAGE AREA), 2
PROBABLE FROG LAUNCHERS, 7 UNIDENTIFIED TRACKED
VEHICLES, 9 SNAPPERS, 12 PROBABLE POL TRUCKS, 94
CARGO TRUCKS, 5 VAN TRUCKS, 19 UTILITY TRUCKS, 61
UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, 10 PRIME MOVERS, 9 CARGO
TRAILERS, 3 TRUCK-MOUNTED TREADWAY BRIDGES, AND 3
UNIDENTIFIED PIECES OF EQUIPMENT. IN ADDITION, ONE
CARGO TRUCK AND UNIDENTIFIED MATERIAL WERE OBSERVED
ALONGSIDE 4 OF THE BARRACKS. THE 6-GUN AAA SITE
REMAINS OCCUPIED.

25X1D

MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2307N 08212W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2301N 08226W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2255N 08210W

NO VEHICLES OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX 2259N 08228W

SCATTERED CLOUDS AND POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDE
INTERPRETATION. THERE IS NO APPARENT CHANGE IN COUNT
OR DEPLOYMENT OF VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT. THE
6-GUN AAA SITE REMAINS UNOCCUPIED.

25X1D

SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2221N 07957W

25X1A

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08217W

25X1D

NUMEROUS VEHICLES IN AREA. SCATTERED CLOUDS AND POOR
IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1A

PURIO, MILITARY AREA 2233N 07952W

25X1D

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA 2258N 08214W

25X1D

NUMEROUS UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES IN AREA. POOR IMAGE
QUALITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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CAMPO FLORIDA, MILITARY CAMP 2307N 08206W

25X1D VEHICLES -- 15 CANVAS-COVERED TANKS AND 10 PROBABLE
VEHICLES.

BAJURAYABO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2308N 08210W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE.

SPECIAL AREA ALPHA 2258N 08227W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SPECIAL AREA HOTEL 2301N 08246W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE 2250N 08233W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED 2254N 08231W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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SPECIAL AREA VICTOR 2300N 08234W

25X1D

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SPECIAL AREA TANGO 2258N 08244W

25X1D

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STGE SITE 2303N 08218W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES. NUMEROUS VEHICLES ALONG LOOP ROAD.

MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 2258N 08218W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. THREE VEHICLES OBSERVED ON SMALLER LOOP ROAD.

BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN STORAGE SITES. APPROXIMATELY 25 VEHICLES OBSERVED IN HEADQUARTERS AREA.

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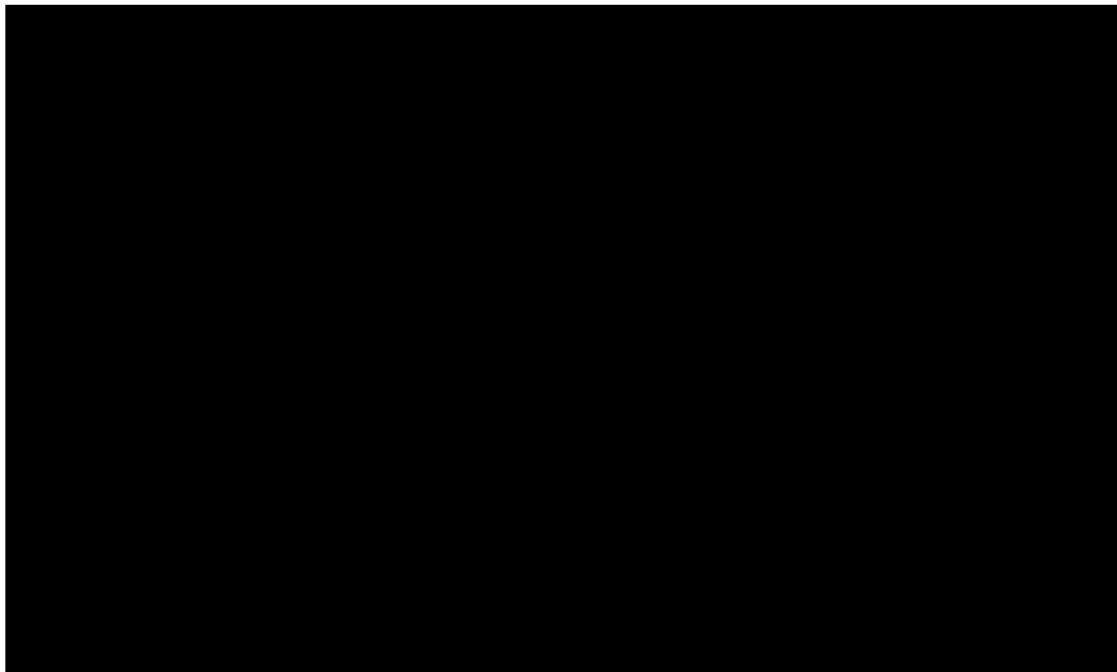
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SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2224N 07953W

NO NEW ACTIVITY NOTED.

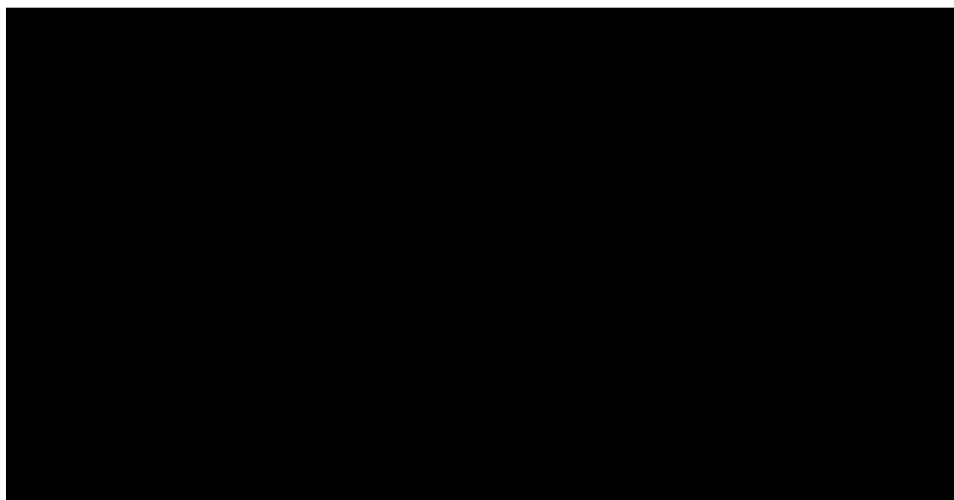
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LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION 2301N 08245W

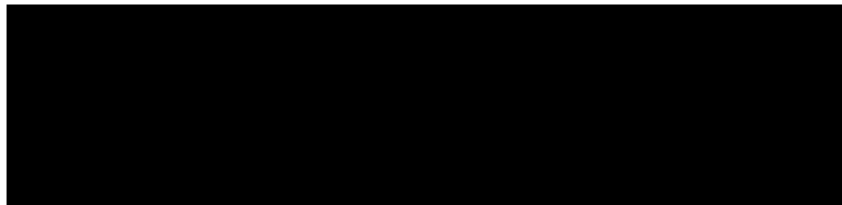
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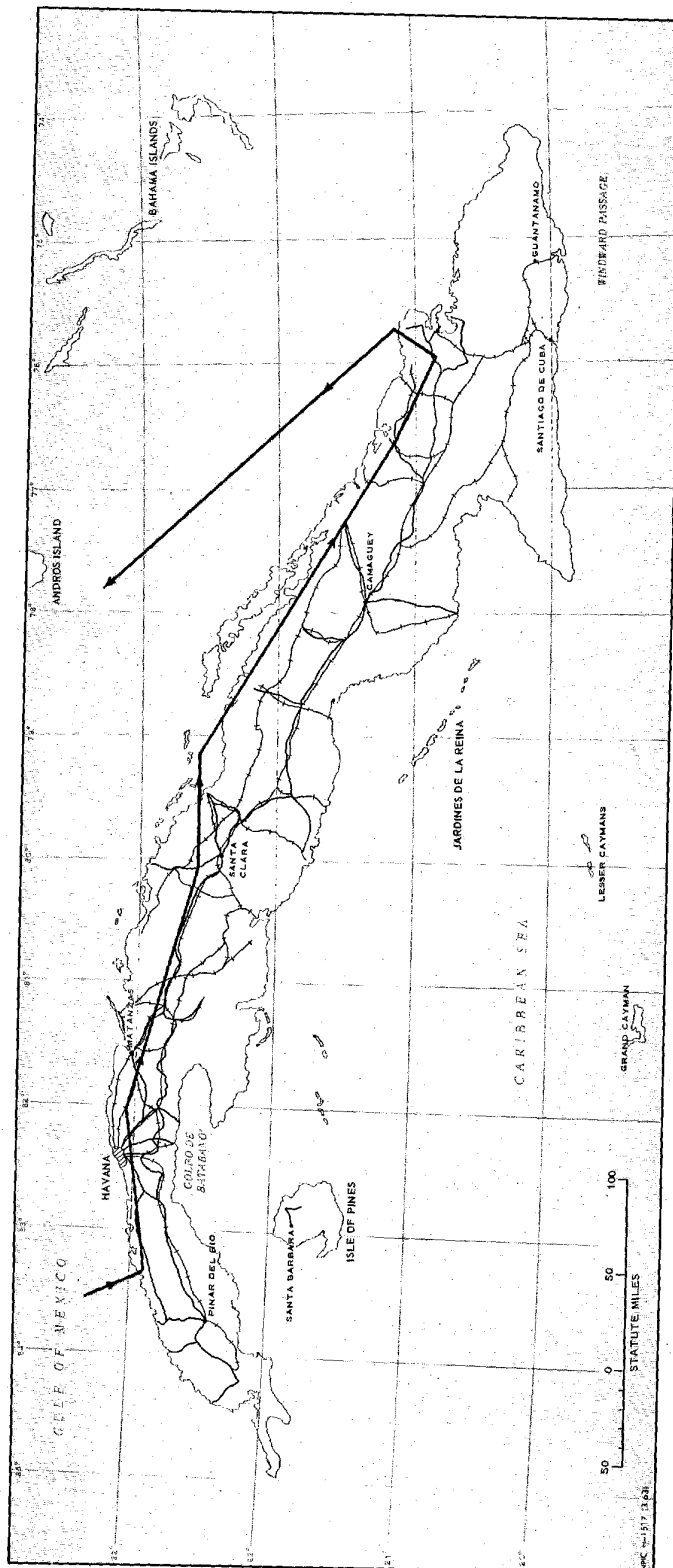
-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED,
BUT NOT INTERPRETED.

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1
SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1
SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE
SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA
LA ISABELA PORT
LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE
BAHIA HONDA, MILITARY CAMP

2257N 08239W
2243N 08001W
2251N 08005W
2257N 08221W
2256N 08001W
2252N 08233W
2258N 08311W

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